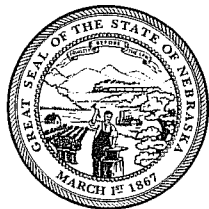


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Mr. Dave Hartshorn
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RE: Proposed Site Closure
Federal Office Building, 106 S. 15th Street, Omaha, Nebraska
UG #050393-NM-1110

Dear Mr. Hartshorn:

The Department has reviewed the Tier 1 report for the above referenced site. Based on the information included in this report, no further remedial actions will be required at this time if the proper closure requirements described below are promptly carried out. However, if a problem arises in the future as a result of this release, U.S. General Services Administration will remain responsible for further remedial actions.

In order for the Department to consider this file formally closed, all monitoring wells must be properly abandoned in accordance with Title 178 – *Rules and Regulations Governing Water Well Construction, Pump Installation, and Water Well Abandonment Standards*. Chapter 12, 012.04 of Title 178 requires written notice of well abandonment be transmitted to the Director of the Department of Water Resources within sixty days of the abandonment. You must also provide a copy of such written notice to the NDEQ in order to complete site closure. For more information regarding abandonment standards and procedures, contact the Nebraska Health and Human Services System at (402) 471-2541.

As you are probably aware, the reasonable costs associated with this work effort may be eligible for reimbursement from the Title 200 Petroleum Release Remedial Action Reimbursement Fund through the Voluntary Remedial Action provision of §66-1525(2)(d). If you so desire, you may submit an application for reimbursement from the Title 200 fund, in the proper format, to the Department. We will determine which costs are eligible for reimbursement and prepare an expense payable report for the Title 200 file for this facility. The expense payable report will detail what amount U.S. General Services Administration will be eligible to receive once this site reaches the top of the priority list. You may request a copy of the expense payable report if you wish.

Should you choose not to submit an application for reimbursement to the Title 200 Fund at this time, please retain documentation of costs associated with remedial actions at this facility. You may apply, and be immediately eligible, for reimbursement consideration once this facility reaches the top of the priority list. You will be notified when this facility reaches the top of the priority list.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions or comments, please contact me at (402) 471-4230.

Sincerely,

Neal Heil, Geologist
Petroleum Remediation Section
Water Quality Division